

EZZELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



Revised District Dress and Grooming Policy

as of July 29, 2026

The district's dress code is established to promote student safety, appropriate hygiene, and a positive learning environment while minimizing disruption. In addition, having a dress code helps students prepare for future expectations, as most workplaces, professional environments, and formal events also have established dress and grooming standards.

Students and parents may determine personal dress and grooming standards provided they comply with the following expectations. Final determination of appropriateness rests with campus administration.

Shirts / Tops

Requirements:

- Must have sleeves (short, cap, or long sleeves required)
- No spaghetti straps, strapless, halter tops, tank tops, one shoulder, or muscle shirts
- Shirts must fully cover the chest, back, and stomach at all times
- Necklines must not expose cleavage or be excessively low
- Clothing must be opaque (not see-through)
- Oversized, excessively baggy or tight tops are prohibited
- Clothing may not display profane, vulgar, inappropriate, or suggestive language or images, including those that are implied or insinuated.

Bottoms (Pants, Shorts, Skirts, Leggings)

General Requirements ALL GRADES

- Must fit securely at the waist (no sagging)
- Must not expose undergarments at any time

Elementary (PreK - 4) School Pants

- Leggings/Yoga pants must be worn with shorts over them at all times
- Shorts must be fingertip length or longer
- Make-up of any sort is prohibited

Junior High/High (5-12) School Pants

- Leggings/yoga pants are NOT permitted
- Shorts must be to the top of the knee resting at the natural waist and free of holes/rips/tears. School issued shorts are permitted for Athletics ONLY.
- Jeans, denim or khakis pants may be worn.

- Solid colored sweatpants or athletic pants are permitted (Yoga pants are NOT athletic pants).
- No pajama pants or sleepwear.
- Rips/holes in pants are permitted but absolutely NO skin is to be shown. Some type of backing must be present behind the rips.
- Overly baggy pants of any material is not allowed.

Dresses / Skirts

- Must be **no shorter than the top of the knee** (hem must reach the top of the knee or lower)
- Must be modest and school-appropriate in fit and design
- No strapless, spaghetti strap, halter, or off-shoulder styles unless covered appropriately with sleeved jacket or cardigan
- Shorts must be worn underneath all dresses and skirts

Shoes

- Shoes must be worn at all times during school hours
- Heelys, cleats, house shoes/slippers, slides and crocs are not to be worn
- ALL shoes MUST have a back strap or enclosed heel
- Elementary (PreK-4) must wear tennis shoes
- Junior High/High School (5-12) are required to wear tennis shoes or athletic shoes for Athletics.

Hair & Grooming

- Hair must be neat, clean, and not interfere with learning or safety.
- Hair must be kept out of the eyes and not obstruct vision
- No extreme or distracting hairstyles
- Hair color must be natural or tastefully done (subtle highlights or accents may be allowed at secondary discretion)
- Hair accessories such as rollers, tinsel or feathers are prohibited
- Students must be clean-shaven
- (administration discretion may apply at high school level)

Accessories / Jewelry / Appearance

Not permitted (Elementary PreK - 4)

- Fake nails and eyelashes are not allowed
- Facial jewelry is prohibited (nose, lip, eyebrow piercings)
- Oversized or distracting jewelry is not allowed.
- No hats, caps, hoods, sunglasses or head coverings on campus.

Secondary (Junior High/High School 5 - 12)

- Fake nails and eyelashes may be allowed if not distracting or unsafe
- ALL facial piercings are prohibited
- Earrings in the ears are only to be worn by females. No gauges allowed.
- No spikes, wallet chains, or unsafe accessories.

- Jewelry must not be oversized, distracting, or unsafe
- No hats, caps, hoods, sunglasses or head coverings on campus.
- All tattoos must be covered.

Enforcement

If a student violates the dress code:

1. Student will be given an opportunity to correct the issue
2. If not corrected, parent/guardian will be contacted to provide appropriate clothing
3. Student may be placed in in-school suspension until corrected
4. Repeated violations may result in disciplinary action per Student Code of Conduct
5. 3 Dress code violations will result in the loss of short wearing privileges.